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*Kentucky Historical Society
Highway Marker Program*



Dedication of
Historical Marker
for

JONESVILLE

Tuesday, April 10, 2001
2:00 p. m.

PROGRAM

Welcome

Dr. Gary Ransdell, President
Western Kentucky University

Invocation

Rev. Porter Bailey
First Baptist Church, Rockfield

Music

John Edmonds

Remarks

Dianne Wells, Manager
Historical Highway Marker Program
Kentucky Historical Society
Sandy Jones, Mayor
City of Bowling Green
Mike Buchanon, Judge Executive
Warren County
Jonathan Jeffery
Special Collections/Kentucky Library
Lancie Meredith, Branch Manager
Traffic and Permits
Kentucky Transportation Cabinet

Dedication Address

Bobby W. Austin, President & CEO
Village Foundation

Comments

Maxine Ray, Jonesville Historian
Graduate Student WKU

Music

John Edmonds

Unveiling of Marker

Jonesville Descendants
Fanny M. Loving, *Marjorie Butts*,
Dan Taylor, *Herschel Austin, Sr.*

KENTUCKY HISTORICAL HIGHWAY MARKER

Marker #2052

JONESVILLE

This African American community was founded after the Civil War. It was bordered by Dogwood Dr., Russellville Road, and the railroad tracks. The community grew to include several hundred residents, an elementary school, businesses, and two churches. Frame and hand-hewn stone houses lined the streets of Jonesville.

Presented by Western Kentucky University

JONESVILLE

The lives of most residents of this close African American community revolved around church, school and family activities. In the late 1950s Jonesville was one of two areas in Bowling Green designated for urban renewal. By 1968 the state had acquired the land and sold it to the university.

Presented by Western Kentucky University

Location: Western Kentucky University campus,
University Boulevard & US 68/80,
Bowling Green, Warren County

Our Gratitude To:

Dr. Gary Ransdell and
Western Kentucky University
Lana Flynn, Office of President
Executive Administrative Assistant
Laura Harper Lee, Education Curator
Kentucky Museum
Monica Burke, Assistant Director
Minority Student Services, Western Kentucky University
Jonathan Jeffery, Special Collections
Kentucky Library
Nancy Baird, Kentucky History Specialist
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